In the claims:

- 1. (Canceled)
- 2. (Canceled)
- 3. (Canceled)
- 4. (Currently amended) [[The]] An isolated nucleic acid of claim-1, comprising SEQ ID NO: 3.
- 5. (Currently amended) The isolated nucleic acid of claim [[1]] 4 operably linked to a transcriptional control sequence.
- 6. (Original) A vector comprising the nucleic acid of claim 5.
- 7. (Original) A cell comprising the nucleic acid of claim 5.
- 8. (Currently amended) A method for producing a polypeptide encoded by the nucleic acid of claim [[1]] 4, comprising transfecting a cell with a nucleic acid of claim [[1]] 4, culturing the cell in conditions suitable for expression of the nucleic acid, and isolating the polypeptide from the cell or cell medium.
- 9. (Withdrawn) An isolated polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence which is at least 90% identical to the amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 9, wherein the polypeptide does not comprise the carboxyl-terminal 33 amino acids of SEQ ID NO: 8.
- 10. (Withdrawn) A method for modulating apoptosis in a cell, comprising modulating the amount and/or activity of Tid-1S and/or Tid-1L, such that apoptosis is modulated in the cell.
- 11. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 10, comprising administering to the cell an agonist or antagonist of Tid-1S and/or Tid-1L or nucleic acid encoding such.
- 12. **(Withdrawn)** The method of claim 10 for increasing apoptosis in a cell, comprising administering to the cell an antagonist of Tid-1S or nucleic acid encoding such.
- 13. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 12, further comprising administering to the cell an agonist of Tid-1L or nucleic acid encoding such.
- 14. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 10 for reducing apoptosis in a cell, comprising administering to the cell an agonist of Tid-1S or nucleic acid encoding such.
- 15. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 10, further comprising administering to the cell an antagonist of Tid-1L or nucleic acid encoding such.
- 16. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 10 for increasing the resistance of a cell to apoptosis, comprising administering to the cell an agonist of Tid-1S or nucleic acid encoding such.

- 17. **(Withdrawn)** The method of claim 16, further comprising administering to the cell an antagonist of Tid-1L or nucleic acid encoding such.
- 18. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 10 for increasing the susceptibility of a cell to apoptosis, comprising administering to the cell an antagonist of Tid-1S or nucleic acid encoding such.
- 19. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 18, further comprising administering to the cell an agonist of Tid-1L or nucleic acid encoding such.
- 20. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 16, wherein the cell is a Th2 cell.
- 21. (Canceled)
- 22. (Canceled)
- 23. (Canceled)
- 24. (Canceled)
- 25. (Canceled)
- 26. (Canceled)
- 27. (Currently amended) [[The]] <u>An</u> isolated nucleic acid of claim-1 which encodes a polypeptide comprising SEQ ID NO: 9.
- 28. (Currently amended) [[The]] An isolated nucleic acid of claim 1 which encodes a polypeptide consisting essentially of SEQ ID NO: 9.
- 29. (Currently amended) The isolated nucleic acid of claim [[1]] <u>27</u> which encodes a polypeptide consisting of SEQ ID NO: 9.
- 30. (Currently amended) [[The]] An isolated nucleic acid of claim 1 which encodes a polypeptide comprising SEQ ID NO: 11.
- 31. (Currently amended) [[The]] An isolated nucleic acid of claim-1 which encodes a polypeptide consisting essentially of SEQ ID NO: 11.
- 32. (Currently amended) The isolated nucleic acid of claim [[1]] 30 which encodes a polypeptide consisting of SEQ ID NO: 11.
- 33. (Withdrawn) The isolated nucleic acid of claim 1 which encodes a polypeptide comprising SEQ ID NO: 29.
- 34. (Withdrawn) The isolated nucleic acid of claim 1 which encodes a polypeptide consisting essentially of SEQ ID NO: 29.

- 35. (Withdrawn) The isolated nucleic acid of claim 1 which encodes a polypeptide consisting of SEQ ID NO: 29.
- 36. (Currently amended) [[The]] An isolated nucleic acid of claim 1 which encodes a polypeptide comprising [[of]] SEQ ID NO: [[9]] 30, wherein the histidine residue at position 121 is replaced with a glutamine residue.
- 37. (Currently amended) [[The]] An isolated nucleic acid of claim 1 which encodes a polypeptide consisting essentially of SEQ ID NO: [[9]] 30, wherein the histidine residue at position 121 is replaced with a glutamine residue.
- 38. (Currently amended) The isolated nucleic acid of claim [[1]] <u>36</u> which encodes a polypeptide consisting of SEQ ID NO [[9]] <u>30</u>, wherein the histidine residue at position 121 is replaced with a glutamine residue.
- 39. (Withdrawn) The isolated nucleic acid of claim 1 which encodes a polypeptide comprising of SEQ ID NO: 29, wherein the histidine residue at position 121 is replaced with a glutamine residue.
- 40. (Withdrawn) The isolated nucleic acid of claim 1 which encodes a polypeptide consisting essentially of SEQ ID NO: 29, wherein the histidine residue at position 121 is replaced with a glutamine residue.
- 41. (Withdrawn) The isolated nucleic acid of claim 1 which encodes a polypeptide consisting of SEQ ID NO: 29, wherein the histidine residue at position 121 is replaced with a glutamine residue.
- 42. (Currently amended) [[The]] An isolated nucleic acid of claim 1 consisting essentially of SEQ ID NO: 3.
- 43. (Currently amended) The isolated nucleic acid of claim[[42]] 4 consisting of SEQ ID NO: 3.
- 44. (Currently amended) [[The]] An isolated nucleic acid of claim 1, comprising SEQ ID NO: 5.
- 45. (Currently amended) [[The]] An isolated nucleic acid of claim 1, consisting essentially of SEQ ID NO: 5.
- 46. (Currently amended) The isolated nucleic acid of claim [[1]] 44, consisting of SEQ ID NO: 5.
- 47. (Canceled)
- 48. (Canceled)
- 49. (Canceled)